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VIA U.S. Mail & Email

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Re: Alpaugh GSA Notice of Intent to Prepare a Groundwater Sustainability Plan

Dear Mr. Joseph:

At its regular meeting on December 11, 2017, the Alpaugh Groundwater Sustainability Agency ("Alpaugh GSA") Board of Directors authorized and directed the undersigned to prepare and execute this Notice of Intent to Prepare a Groundwater Sustainability Plan ("GSP") for the Tule Subbasin (DWR Subbasin 5-22.13) (the "Subbasin").

Alpaugh GSA was formed under a memorandum of understanding entered into by Alpaugh Irrigation District, Alpaugh Community Services District and Atwell Island Water District, to develop and implement a GSP.

Alpaugh GSA is an exclusive Groundwater Sustainability Agency ("GSA") in the Subbasin and is submitting this Notice in accordance with Section 10727.8 of the California Water Code, and California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Section 353.6. The Alpaugh GSA intends to cooperate with all other exclusive GSAs in the Subbasin in the development of a GSP or multiple coordinated GSPs.

Alpaugh GSA will actively participate in stakeholder communication and engagement. In addition to written updates, as appropriate, Alpaugh GSA will conduct regular public meetings and/or workshops for interested parties in order to encourage public participation in the GSP planning and preparation. Additionally, Alpaugh GSA will continue to actively participate in the ongoing

Subbasin-wide efforts to coordinate GSPs. Alpaugh GSA will also engage with various stakeholders, and endeavor to form a stakeholder committee.

Alpaugh GSA is in the process of developing a website that will provide interested parties and stakeholders with information related to the development of the GSP and information related to meetings and workshops to encourage such parties to participate. Until such time as the website is active, interested parties may contact the GSA at its office address and phone number identified above.

Alpaugh GSA looks forward to working collaboratively with the public, the other GSAs in the Subbasin, and the Department of Water Resources to develop and implement a GSP for the Alpaugh GSA portion of the Subbasin, and its residents and stakeholders.

Sincerely,

David W. Kahn, General Counsel

cc: Ronveig Magden, Chairman of Alpaugh GSA